

SENATE BILL 2657

By Tracy

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55,  
Chapter 12, relative to financial responsibility.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-12-102(12), is amended by  
adding the following language as a new subdivision (D):

(D) If proof is required after December 31, 2008, such proof means:

(i) A written proof of liability insurance coverage provided by a single limit  
policy with a limit of not less than sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) applicable to  
one (1) accident;

(ii) A split-limit policy with a limit of not less than twenty-five thousand  
dollars (\$25,000) for bodily injury to or death of one (1) person, not less than fifty  
thousand dollars (\$50,000) for bodily injury to or death of two (2) or more persons  
in any one (1) accident, and not less than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for  
damage to property in any one (1) accident;

(iii) A deposit of cash with the commissioner in the amount of sixty  
thousand (\$60,000); or

(iv) The execution and filing of a bond with the commissioner in the  
amount of sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000).

An insured holding a policy that complies with the insurance requirements of the  
financial responsibility law on December 31, 2008, will not be deemed to be in violation  
of the law if the policy meets the limits specified above as of the first renewal after such  
date;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-12-102(12)(C), is amended by  
adding the language "but prior to January 1, 2009," after the date "December 31, 1989,".

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.